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TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN WAR. TURKISH DEMANDS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 22.
Hakki Pasha, interviewed by Reuter, emphasised that his mission to London was merely semi-official, and declared that the Turks wanted territory in Thrace to make Constantinople, the Sea of Marmora and the Dardanelles secure. The retention of Adrianople was only one of the points on which they insisted. He asked Europe to intervene because peace resulting from direct negotiation between the belligerents was apparently out of the question. He insisted on the retention of the Aegean Islands.

Italy and Peace.
A message from Rome states that the Marquis San Giuliano, in a pronouncement in the Chamber of Deputies, emphasised that all the peoples and Governments had a lofty sentiment of their duty and would not unchain a terrible conflict for inadequate causes.

An Indemnity Essential.
Reuter's correspondent at Sofia telegraphs that the Ministry of Finance has issued a statement declaring that the payment of an indemnity is an essential condition to the conclusion of peace, but an immediate payment will not be demanded.

Turkey Easier.

Later.
A message from Constantinople states that the Turkish outlook has improved somewhat, thanks to the success of the Government in raising half a million sterling from the sale of certain properties in the neighbourhood of Constantinople. This relief has enabled the Government to pay the outstanding month's salaries of all officials and the more pressing accounts with bankers and other contractors.

The military situation has been equally affected by the relief of pecuniary pressure, and the question of supplies is not likely to cause any worry for some weeks.

New Campaign Plan.
It is stated that the Government has altered its plan of campaign, abandoning the contemplated offensive forward flanking movement, and is confident of its ability to hold out indefinitely at Chataldja and Bulair.

Latest Fighting.
Reuter's Constantinople correspondent wires that the cannonade continues at Adrianople. A Bulgarian aeroplane, piloted by a Russian lieutenant, descended on the Turkish lines and was captured.

A strong force of Bulgarians advancing from Kadikoi were repulsed after two hours' fighting, and simultaneously other forces belonging to the enemy advanced and occupied the hills at Ilbasan, but Turkish volunteers recaptured the position during a night attack.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

WIN FOR SCOTLAND.

London, February 23.
Scotland beat Ireland in a Rugby match at Edinburgh by 29 points to 14.

EX-PRESIDENT CASTRO.

London, February 23.
Ex-President Castro has proceeded to Cuba from the United States.

THE SCOTT FUNDS.

London, February 22.
The Scott funds now stand at \$30,000.

TELEGRAMS.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS. AN AMERICAN WARNING.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 22.
The United States has intimated that it would seriously object to the summary execution of ex-President Madero.

It is likely to be some time before Mexico is pacified. The Governors of several provinces, who are friends and relatives of Madero, are raising forces in his interest.

President Huerta explains that he is detaining Madero to secure his safety. He recalls the attacks that were made upon the train in which Porfirio Diaz was travelling when he left Mexico City.

It is reported that Ex-President Diaz, who is at present in Egypt, is returning to Mexico.

President Huerta affirms that he will adopt Diaz methods in governing.

A message from Washington reports that four infantry regiments under Brigadier Smith have been ordered to Galveston, there to be prepared for instant embarkation.

Sensational Report.

Later.
Reuter's New York correspondent says a telegram has been received from Mexico City stating that the Ex-President Madero and his companions have been shot. They were killed, it is said, during an attempt to rescue them while being transferred from the National Palace to a penitentiary. Two of the attacking party were also killed.

American Forces.
Reuter's Washington correspondent says that a detachment of Field Artillery and of engineers, as well as hospital, ambulance and bakery corps, have also been ordered to Galveston. These will bring the force up to 3,500. It is expected that a cavalry division will also be sent.

American Policy.
It is stated that the execution of Ex-President Madero and his advisers, without due process of the law, would be regarded by the United States as a direct challenge.

LORD KNOLLYS.

PENDING RETIREMENT.

London, February 22.
Lord Knollys is about to retire from his position as Private Secretary to His Majesty King.

[Viscount Knollys of Caversham is 74 years of age. He was Private Secretary to King Edward before filling a like position in the Household of King George. He is head of a family whose ancestors were closely associated with the Court from the time of the Knollys who was Queen Elizabeth's Treasurer of the Household.]

Sun Yat-sen.

We understand, says the London "Morning Post" that Sun Yat-sen, one of the leaders of the Chinese Reform Party, will shortly visit London, under authority from the Chinese Government, for the purpose of placing before certain financial groups a number of important Chinese concessions relating to railways and mines. A gentleman, who is in Sun Yat-sen's confidence, informed a representative that he should have been in London before the close of last year, but that he had probably been detained in China by the delay in the negotiations concerning what is known as the "Six-Power Loan." "I have not heard from Sun Yat-sen for six weeks," said this authority, "but in any case I do not think he will start for England until the loan negotiations have been concluded. I understand that the principal concession which he will bring with him relates to a very big railway enterprise."

TELEGRAMS.

SUFFRAGE NUISANCE. GOVERNMENT DEFIED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 22.
Mrs. Pankhurst, speaking at Chelsea, reaffirmed her responsibility for the suffragette outrages and declared that she defied the Government. A representative from the Home Office took notes of her speech, which was interrupted, the audience being disorderly.

A Suggestion.
Interviews, letters from correspondents and editorials in newspapers discuss the problem of dealing with the "militant nuisance," and suggest that heavy fines be inflicted in addition to imprisonment.

To Kidnap the Cabinet!
It is stated that the authorities have been informed of a plot to kidnap the members of a plot to kidnap the members of the Cabinet.

Special precautions are being taken to guard the Oxford boat at Putney, for fear of attacks by suffragettes.

Hundred Actions Pending.
Nearly 100 private actions for damages for broken windows are pending against Mrs. Pankhurst and other members of the militant union.

Howled Down.
Mrs. Despard and other militant suffragettes were howled down by the audience at a suffragette meeting at Thornton Heath. The police were compelled to protect the women from violence and to clear the hall.

LOCAL SPORT.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET RESULTS.

Hongkong "A" v. Kowloon.

Hongkong "A" were at home on Saturday to the Kowloon C.C. in a league match, the game resulting in a draw. For the home team Pearce did well with 70, while Anderson and Turner contributed 25 and 20 respectively. For the visitors B. D. Evans was top scorer with 21. The scores were—

For Hongkong "A":
T. E. Pearce, lbw b Macaskill 71
J. S. Lloyd c and b Evans 2
W. E. Warburton c Macaskill b Wesser 11
Lient. Wace run out 5
R. N. Anderson c Macaskill b Scott 25
W. C. D. Turner b Macaskill 20
A. C. E. Ellborough not out 17
A. N. Jones and not out 13
D. E. Donnelly } did not bat
W. B. Hind }
Lt. Batson }
Extras 11
Total (for six wickets) 174

For Kowloon C.C.:
Macaskill, 19 5 47 2
Evans, 4 1 13 1
Scott, 7 0 26 1
Wesser, 9 0 44 1
Wood, 7 0 33 0

Kowloon C.C.
J. P. Robinson c and b Warburton 8
Eng. Lt. Smith c Anderson b Warburton 17
H. S. Rowe c Ellborough b Warburton 6
J. H. Mead b Batson 1
P. W. A. Wilkie c Pearce b Anderson 16
Capt. Wood c Pearce b Donnelly 4
B. D. Evans c Pearce b Anderson 21
K. R. Macaskill b Anderson 0
A. R. F. Raven lbw b Anderson 12
W. L. Wesser not out 7
H. E. Scott not out 5
Extras 18
Total (for nine wickets) 115

TELEGRAMS.

EMPRESS DOWAGER. DEATH IN KING.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 22.
Reuter's correspondent at Peking telegraphs that the Dowager Empress of China died early on Saturday morning after brief illness, probably appendicitis.

A later telegram says that the Dowager Empress for the last few days has had occasional periods of acute illness, and the Government summoned the Emperor's Guardia Dowager on Friday. In the afternoon she became feverish, and then delirious. Rumours of suicide were spread, owing to the impending transfer of the Imperial family to the Western Palace in order to make room for the Government at the Eastern Palace. The Empress, however, herself suggested the transfer, and the circumstances entirely disprove the allegation of suicide.

[Some particulars concerning the deceased Empress appear elsewhere in this issue.]

Bowling.

Warburton 9 2 20 3
Bastion 14 4 23 1
Anderson 10 1 41 4
Donnelly 4 1 8 1

Hongkong "B" v. W. Eastly.

Playing at the Happy Valley on Saturday the Hongkong "B" team had matters very much their own way, beating the Civil Service Club by nearly 100 runs. The scores were—

A. M. Moss, b Hamlin 28
A. A. Clouston, c Cox b Bird 28
E. F. Paske, b Bird 5
R. Hancock, b Bird 0
H. Hancock, c Widdell b Bird 41
S. H. Dwyer, b Bird 5
Fleet Paymaster Pearson, c Jacks b Bird 0
Jacks b Bird 0
Rogers, b Widdell 34
E. A. Fowler, b Widdell 13
A. O. Ling, lbw b Widdell 13
R. P. Thursfield not out 1
Extras 6
Total 145

Bird 12 3 57 6
Hamilton 9 0 37 1
Cox 1 0 12 0
Reed 4 6 17 0
Widdell 5 1 22 8

For Hongkong "B":
W. Pools, b Dodwell 1
R. O. Hutchison, c Fowler b Dodwell 17
R. C. Widdell, c Pearson, b Maas 8
H. A. Cox, b R. Hancock 9
R. E. O. Bird, b R. Hancock 0
A. O. Brown, b R. Hancock 0
E. B. Reed c Maas, b R. Hancock 0
E. W. Hamilton c Fowler, b R. Hancock 4
A. Foster run out 0
P. Jacks b R. Hancock 1
E. W. Dawson not out 1
Extras 1
Total 51

Bowling.
O. M. R. W.
Dodwell 12 3 20 3
Maas 4 1 13 1
R. Hancock 10 1 41 4
Donnelly 4 1 8 1

Football.
The Hongkong Shield.
A very uninteresting match was played between the Hongkong Club and the R. G. A. on the former's ground at the Happy Valley, resulting in a win for the latter by a penalty goal that was given hardly a minute before time was whistled. Throughout the first half the soldiers had it pretty much their own way and kept up a continual pressure on the home goal and gave Barlow a lot to do. Once did the club look like scoring, and that was when Larkins got away on his own, but running too far up the field got into a position which did not allow of accurate shooting. During the half

TELEGRAMS.

TITANIC DISASTER. BIG CLAIMS PENDING.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 23.
A message from New York states that a decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals permits relatives of the victims of the Titanic disaster to begin suits for damages immediately against the White Star Company. It is expected that claims aggregating \$10,000,000 will be filed.

play was most uninteresting, there being too much high-kicking and little accurate low passing.

In the second half the Hongkong goal sustained much pressure, but Barlow kept the score down by really good work—in fact his exhibition was one of the redeeming features of poor game and practically up to the end it looked as though the Hongkong defence would see that honours were shared. However, during a fierce attack within the penalty area a foul was given against the home team and Green taking the kick scored with a shot along the ground.

The teams were—
R. G. A.:—Rossiter, goal; Colmar and Court backs; Mullins, Perry and Burt, halves; Poole, Green, Marden, and Woodbridge forwards.

Hongkong Club:—Barlow, goal; Stalker and Mo Cubbin, backs; Campbell, Long and Jones, halves; Larkins, Hedley, Penhall, Cooper and Benton forwards.

Referee, Mr. F. W. Dugan.
H.K. Cricket League.

Club P. W. D. L. Pts.
Craigengower 13 8 1 4 25
H. Kong "B" 9 8 1 1 24
Kowloon 10 6 1 3 19
Civil Services 10 5 2 3 17
Hongkong "A" 9 5 4 15
R. G. A. 6 3 1 2 10
Staff and Depts 10 2 3 5 9
R. E. 6 1 5 1
H. Kong Police 10 1 9 1
3 Points for a win and 1 point for a draw.

C.R.C. Win.
G.R.C. and R.A.M.C. met on Saturday the former winning by 35 runs. Scores:—

P.A.N.C.
Q.M. Davis, c Un How Fan, b Ho Wing Kin 18
Sgt. Warwick b Ho Wing Kin 30
Sgt. Robinson b Ho Wing Kin 0
Pte. Waterson c John Yew b Un How Fan 0
Pte. Elbert c Un How Fan b Un How Fan 0
Q.M. Davis c Ho Wing Kan b Ho Wing Kin 0
Pte. Humphries c Wong Po Ki b Ho Wing Kin 0
Wong Po Keung c and b Un How Fan 4
Evan run out 0
Wood not out 0
Total 58

c. s. c.
Ng Sze Kwong b Waterson 1
John Yew b Waterson 34
Wei Wing Lok c and b Waterson 2
Chan Yat Kwong lbw b Waterson 0
Un How Fan b Warwick 15
Ho Wing Kin not out 10
Ng Sze Yuen run out 14
Ho Wing Ching b Davis 0
Mok Hing b Davis 0
Wong Po Ki c and b Warwick 1
Moller did not bat 8
Extras 8
Total 83

Billiards.
To-morrow at the European Y.M.C.A. at 9 p.m. there will be an Exhibition game of 800 up between Mr. Alec Taylor and Mr. E. A. S. Fowler. Admission will be \$1.00.

TELEGRAMS.

P. AND O. COMPANY. THE NAGOYA LAUNCHED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 23.
The New P. and O. steamer Nagoya was launched at Caird's yard, Greenock, on Saturday. She is of 7,000 tons and is intended for the intermediate service between Calcutta and Japan.

ASLEEP ON WATCH.

Second Mate's Certificate Suspended for one Year.

This morning at the Marine Court, a court composed of Commander Basil Taylor R.N., Marine Magistrate; Lt. Courtenay Edwin Stainer, R.N., H.M.S. Tamar; Frank L. Davison, s.s. Montague, and Alfred E. W. Hodgins, s.s. Haiyang, sat to enquire into a charge of misconduct against H. Porter, supernumary second mate of the s.s. Chung Sang.

The court was also to have included Mr. Donald MacFadyen, but he stated he had once had the defendant serving with him on board the s.s. Jelunga, and did not consider it right for him to sit. He was consequently excused. The misconduct alleged against the defendant was that he fell asleep on the bridge of the vessel, during his watch, on the high seas.

Clement John Matlock, master of the s.s. Chun Sang, at whose request the enquiry was held, said that on February 12, at 10 p.m., while on a voyage from Sandakan to Hongkong, he went on the bridge, and saw the defendant, asleep on the starboard lower bridge wing. He was in charge of the deck at the time. Witness sent for the mate, and pointed out the defendant to him. Porter remained asleep all the time. The mate returned to his cabin, and at midnight the second mate came up to relieve defendant, and witness drew the newcomer's attention to him. He was still asleep. Witness then woke the defendant, and asked what he was doing. He made no reply but went below. Next morning at 8 o'clock witness made an entry in the log and read it to him. The defendant, who replied "Very good sir," was put off duty.

In reply to Mr. Davison, witness said he had no reason to think that the defendant would be asleep. The helmsman was near enough to see he was asleep. The defendant said he believed they left Sandakan at 4 a.m. on February 12, and he did not get to sleep again as the cook's galley was close by and Chinese were passing and repassing, yelling as they went. He went on the bridge from eight until noon, went below from noon until 12.30 p.m., and then relieved the mate for lunch. At 1 p.m. he had lunch himself and then sat in his room until 6.30 o'clock, reading. He did not go to sleep. At 6.30 p.m. he relieved the mate until 7 p.m. and went on the bridge again at 8 p.m. After ten o'clock he got a bit sleepy and put his leg on the rail. He thought he must have dozed off and fallen back on the awning. He did not remember anything more until the captain shook him.

Mr. Hodgins:—Would not falling off the rail wake you up?

The defendant:—The awning was on a level with the rail and I must have slid gently down.

The court's finding was:—We find that the charge against Hubert Porter of being asleep on watch on the night of the 12th February 1913, proved. There appears to be no defence. There is no evidence of this having been under the influence of liquor, or of his having been overworked.

The offence appears to have been deliberately committed. We therefore suspend his certificate as second mate for one year.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

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Hakki Pasha, interviewed in London, outlined Turkish demands in the Balkan crisis.

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LOCAL.

Saturday's cricket and football matches are reported in this issue.

"The Lark's" selections for the first day's races are given to-day.

The Races fixed to be run to-day have been postponed until to-morrow.

Sir William and Lady Rees Davies returned to the Colony yesterday.

A petty officer of S.M.S. Scharnhorst was buried at Happy Valley yesterday.

There is a very large calendar to be dealt with at the coming Criminal Sessions.

The seventh championship races in connection with the C.Y.C. was sailed on Sunday.

An article dealing with the Empress Dowager of China, who died on Saturday, appears in this issue.

There was a big house at the Theatre Royal on Saturday when the Dallas Comedy Coy. presented "The Glad Eye."

The annual concert in connection with the European Y.M.C.A., to be held on March 7, promises to be a big success.

H. Porter, supernumary second mate on the Chun Sang, was found guilty, this morning, of being asleep on watch. His certificate was suspended.

A German named Wilhelm Aufmann, late of Arnold Karberg and Company, was charged at the Police Court, this morning, with forgery and false entries.

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10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 min.

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. " 15 min.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. " 10 min.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " 15 min.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " 10 min.

2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.

5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min.

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11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 min.

12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 10 min.

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. " 10 min.

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paths of progress and peace.
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to co-operate with Britain, and
now she has shown that her sym-
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the ententes, existing between
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Russia, together with the welcome
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and the practical help of the
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the menace of an Armageddon
hung like a pestilence over
Europe, and it is a bright and
hopeful sign that it will soon be
dissipated. If the three Powers
mentioned continue—as most
probably they will—to be so
alive to their interests as to co-
operate for their future welfare
and European peace, the bogey
of Armageddon may be considered
to be as good as buried.

South China Morning Post.

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The Bank Meeting.
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holders on Saturday makes plea-
sant reading, not only for those
holding the Bank's scrip, but also
for that wider public who look
upon the balance sheet of the
Bank as a dependable barometer
of Eastern trade and especially
the trade of China. For while it
is true, as Mr. Edkins remarks,
that "the information given in
the Chairman's address of branch
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or extension in banking and
commercial centres in widely-
separated parts of the world
evidences the expanding business
and enterprise of the Bank," yet
Chinese business may still be re-
garded as the principal business
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abnormal conditions which have
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past eighteen months, should
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(Continued.)

The Captain suddenly turned and looked straight down at her. The expression in his eyes first frightened, then angered her. She tried again to push him away, but realized, with a sinking of the heart, that she was weak and faint. In her confusion of mind, it did not occur to her that she had been resting there in his arm for a moment. There was something horribly direct about that look in his eyes.

"It's strange—strange," he was saying, "how things happen. It took this thing to throw us together. Cost some lives, too." Her head sank, and she pushed weakly against his chest with her elbow. His lips brushed her ear. "Cost some lives, but here we are. Queer world—eh, what! Oh, you beauty—you raving little beauty, you! Set me wild when I first saw you—been crazy for you—and here we are! But let's get out of here! You make me forget everything. Quick—keep close to me—this way, along the wall!"

Couldn't the man understand? Couldn't he see that she had fainted, that she was going to faint again? She jerked her head back and drew in a quick breath of the choking air. At least, he had relaxed the grip of that awful arm. There he was now, moving sideways, back to the wall, looking out ahead, but groping for her with his free hand. She caught his sleeve and followed. To this extent he was right; he must at least get her safely to the main road.

"Look out, here!" shouted the Captain. "Step up!"

She obeyed, and stepped on, then over, a human body.

Moaning sounds came from the dark tangle in the street. A mule was waving his hoofs and scrambling; while she watched, the animal got to its feet and staggered out of the dark, cluttered impasse into the Hatamen Street.

A man stumbled blindly against her, and groaned. She had to shoulder him off as she moved slowly forward. Frantic natives were now running from the more or less wrecked shops and dwellings, waving their hands and wailing in falsetto. Children were crying. Two young girls came slowly out of a house from which the front wall had been almost entirely removed. For a moment they blocked the way, looking on with dazed, blank eyes. Their foreheads, noses, and chins were white with powder; their straight, slanting eyebrows were heavily, blackened; their cheeks glistened with red paint; and the mouth of each was a perfect Cupid's bow of bright carmine. Their shining black hair was built up into elaborate coiffures. Their dress was the embroidered short coat and trousers of the Chinese gentlewoman who is supposed never to appear in public. And they were beautiful, with a haunting Oriental beauty.

Captain Waters thrust them roughly aside and pressed forward, dragging Miss Austin with him. The two were past the thickest of the wreckage and perhaps half way out of the street when the Captain again pressed her into a doorway. Edith peered out round his bulky person. The street blazed with light now, for one of the shops was in flames. She could see a number of brown-faced men in blue turbans running in from the Hatamen Street. They had knives at their belts, and carried heavy, naked swords that glittered with damascene work and inlaid silver. They were silent, and weirdly business-like. Those in advance stopped at the first bodies and swiftly looked them over; picked off rings, ear and hair ornaments, purses, and jeweled girdles.

Captain Waters drew a second pistol from his pocket, and thrust it into her hand.

"Can you use it?" he asked.

She nodded.

"It's the Manchus. Looks as if they're pulling off the mutiny, after all. Listen!"

Over the moaning and wailing and chattering, over the crackling of a fire that was now roaring out through heavily tiled roofs, came to their ears a faint boom—another—a sudden series. Then, somewhere nearer at hand, a sharp, sputtering rattle. "That's a machine-gun!" cried the Captain.

More of the Manchu soldiers were now pouring into the street. Here and there groups of them were fighting over the loot.

Three men with carbines on their backs and old-fashioned revolvers in their hands crowded up to the doorway in which Miss Austin and the Captain were sheltered. The foremost raised his weapon, peered over it at their white faces and at the Captain's uniform; then, to her astonishment, smiled and bowed. Captain Waters returned the bow stiffly. There was a brief exchange of words in an unintelligible singsong. The Captain made way, and drew her aside with him. The soldiers bowed again, with perfect Oriental suavity; then threw their weight against the door, tore it from its hinges, and plunged in over it.

"Better take our chance on getting out of this," said Captain Waters. "He insists that they're not touching foreigners. Anyhow, we'd soon be cooked in here."

They moved slowly along toward the highway. It was better now and the looters were working with desperate speed. One of them, a giant Tartar with a split lip, had carried the body of a woman from a wrecked litter to a doorstep and propped it up. The dead girl, young and slender, clad in a long robe of red silk with embroidery in gold thread on the shoulders and sleeves, looked almost alive as she half lay, half sat, with her head supported by the door-frame. One arm was doubled stiffly across her chest, as if clasping some precious object. The crouching soldier glanced round from his prize as Miss Austin and her escort approached, saw the pistol in Edith's hand, and smiled up at her admiringly; then turned back to tear a ruby ornament from the ear of the dead girl.

They had got nearly to the Hatamen Street when the Captain again stopped and held her close to the wall.

"We'll go slow here," he said. "There may be trouble outside. Keep ready with that pistol."

There was again something disturbing in his nearness to her. His voice had become hoarse and unsteady, and he seemed to be trying not to look at her. The veins stood out sharply on his flushed temple. Not knowing what to say or do, she raised the pistol and showed him that her finger was caressing the trigger.

Suddenly he turned and looked deep into her eyes.

"May be I was too—well, too rough back there," he began, a note of excitement rising in his voice as he went on. Edith felt herself growing cold and shrinking back against the wall. "Maybe I took too much for granted—perhaps you didn't mean it. God, how do I know what you mean! But feeling you there by me—in my arms—your face so near—"

Again his arms were about her shoulders, holding her close to him. A blaze of hot anger rushed up within her. She wrested her right arm free and waved the pistol unsteadily.

"My God, girl!" he cried.

"You don't mean—!" Then he caught her wrist.

Suddenly Miss Austin's tense body relaxed. Her face lighted with a stock of surprise that ran swiftly off into relief. For, picking her way up the narrow street, her long blanket-belt thrown back exposing the blue

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on her head, a matter-of-fact expression on her thin face, came Miss Carmichael.

Captain Waters caught the expression on Miss Austin's face, and was puzzled. Then he returned.

"Hello," said Miss Carmichael coolly. "I followed you up. Thought I'd like one of those dogs myself." She was quietly looking them over as she spoke. "The row's most finished. I guess. The police are running all over the place. They'll be in here before long, cutting off heads. Better get out before they begin—it's so spatterly."

The Captain was biting upward at his moustache. "Think we'll have trouble getting back?"

"We might—a little. But it's unnecessary. There's a mission within five minutes of here—American, too. Let's get her over there. . . . Say, Miss Austin, there's some one trying to talk to you back there. Friend of yours?"

The Tartar of the split lip, still squatting by the body in the red and gold robe, was beckoning and smiling eagerly. He pointed to his prize and beckoned again.

"He certainly thinks he's got a joke there," said Miss Carmichael. "Watch him."

The soldier, still laughing heartily, raised the arm that was clasped across the dead girl's breast, and prodded at the embroidered sleeve. Out crawled the smallest dog Edith had ever seen—a jet black, almost blue-black, silky-haired, pug-nosed little creature with one white ear. The hair of his back and sides hung almost to his feet. His beady eyes peered out through a black and white jungle. If he had not been so absurdly small—surely no more than seven or eight inches in length—he might almost have passed for a cocker spaniel. As it was, there was no mistaking him.

"A Peking pug!" cried Miss Austin. "All the inner torment of the past ten minutes dropped from her like a discarded cloak. Her eyes danced. Her pistol clattered to the pavement and was forgotten; she did not even know that

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the Captain, with a queer, dense expression of face, poked it up and without a word put it in his pocket. Nor was she aware that the pale eyes of Miss Carmichael were studying him both out of a cool, expressionless face.

The soldier gathered up the dog in one hand, shook it playfully, and held it out. Miss Austin ran back and took it.

"Is it really for me?" she cried, wholly unconscious that she was speaking in English to a Manchu. "Oh, how nice of you! Thank you ever so much!"

The soldier rose and bowed, clasping his hands before his breast. Edith had never seen a man bow with such utter grace; she suddenly felt crude, as if she were the barbarian. Then, still smiling as with a pleasing memory, the Tartar knelt by the body of the dead girl and swiftly, one after another, tore the gold-mounted rubies from her fingers.

The big white man and the two girl figures walked northward in silence.

"Are you all right?" whispered Miss Carmichael, when the two had fallen a little behind. "Was he very ugly?"

Miss Austin was coddling the dog close to her face, like a muff. At the question she poked her brow as if trying to remember something, and look of pain came into her pretty eyes.

"Oh—it hardly matters now," she said. And then, as if realizing the inadequacy of her reply added: "But it was good of you to come." Miss Carmichael fell silent. But when the Captain started to turn in toward the gate of the mission compound, she rested a light hand on his arm and whispered something. Then she herself rang the bell; and, when a Chinese servant answered, pressed—

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JURY REFORM.

This is a reforming age, and it need not therefore be wondered at that the British system of trial by jury, whose origin is wrapped in obscurity, is nowadays being subjected to very pointed criticism from many quarters. Indeed, a Committee of Enquiry with Lord Mersey as chairman has considered the whole question quite recently, and we note from Home exchanges that this Committee is about to report on such matters as the constitution of juries and conditions on which, in civil cases, a special jury is allowed; qualification and mode of selection; preparation of lists and summoning of juries; conditions of jury service, etc. These heads comprise the principal terms of reference, and it will be admitted that they are wide enough to secure a searching and most comprehensive treatment of the question.

It will, we think, be generally agreed that, while the jury system has, on the whole, satisfied the demands of justice, there are quite a number of respects in which it might be improved. The chief of these, to our way of thinking, is the matter of the constitution of ordinary juries. To tear a man away from his business and plunge him in the strange atmosphere of a court of law, where he is altogether at sea, and to expect him to remain cool and collected, is, in nine cases out of ten, to require the impossible. As a writer in a legal hand book puts it, the course of the trial, whether civil or criminal, is a puzzling one to the inexperienced juror, while the flattery of counsel or the learning of the judge may only mystify him. Various suggestions have been made to cope with this point. One, which is worthy of consideration is that volunteers might be invited to put their names on a list, which could be scrutinised for the best. Another very good idea is that the age-limit might be raised, inasmuch as there are plenty of men over sixty capable of weighing evidence—in fact in matters wherein experience of the world tells so heavily, age is, up to a point, an advantage rather than otherwise. There can be no doubt, too, that at home it is often a hardship for a small business man to be called up for jury service, and it is not surprising to observe that suggestions are being made, in these days of payment of M. P.'s, for more liberal remuneration of the jurymen, who has aptly been described as a legal conscript. It certainly looks as though such a demand will have to be seriously considered or else there will have to be a pretty general exemption of shopkeepers without assistants, and other classes whose employment needs continuous attention.

This question of jury service is one not without its interest to Hongkong. The confusion to ordinary jurymen caused by a first introduction to Court procedure is heightened here by the necessity of employing interpreters in nearly all cases; furthermore, in a Colony where the standard of salaries is too high to permit of unduly large staffs in business houses, the hardship of having an employee called for jury service is correspondingly greater in this Colony than at home. We shall await the recommendations of the Committee with the deepest of interest.

Confidence in China.

The speech of the Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation makes anti-factory reading. These half-yearly statements are taken by a wide and interested public as reflecting the conditions of trade in China in particular, and it is good to have Mr. Shellin's assurance that confidence in the future of China remains undiminished. The remarks regarding local trade, too, are heartening. "Local industries appear to be in a healthy condition and have been attracting money from bona fide investors—always a welcome sign of confidence in the future." Take it all in all, this fairly optimistic outlook affords cheer for the future.

Able Management.

A word of praise is due to the management of the bank for the ability with which it has been conducted during the turmoil and unsettlement of the last fifteen months. Far from its energies having been temporarily checked, as might reasonably have been anticipated, it has made the usual steady progress. It is pleasing, therefore, to note that the directors have recognised the able work of the staff by voting a bonus of 10 per cent on their salaries for the past year. The greatest talent at the head of a concern will be handicapped except the members of the staff are loyal and capable, and it is evident that the directors know how to secure good men and how to keep them alert and eager.

Hongkong's Duty.

It is with deep thankfulness that we note the manner in which the public is coming forward at home in subscribing to the funds being raised on behalf of the dependents of Captain Scott and his companions. At first there was some apathy over the matter, but once it became known how things stood, the money began to roll freely in, until the total now reaches \$30,000. More than that, the Government has promised to see to it that the dependents shall not be worse off than they would have been had the disaster never occurred. This is all excellent reading, but we would like to know what Hongkong is doing in the matter. This Colony is the headquarters of the China Naval Station, and it would only be fit and proper to see the community recognising in some very practical manner the heroism of a naval officer who gave up his life in the interests of science. The local branch of the Navy League might take the thing in hand. Anyhow, somebody should make a move, so that it shall not be said that Hongkong confined its sympathy to the holding of a Memorial Service. The cause is a worthy one; will the public respond?

Library Catalogues.

In connection with our remarks in this column last Saturday on the ignorance of some library authorities at home, a "Telegraph" reader informs us, in all good faith, that he once saw, in the catalogue of a provincial library at home, Burton's "Anatomy of Melancholy" classified under the head of "Medicine"! This is going one better than the country schoolmaster who was custodian of the local library. An Oxford undergraduate, who was doing some holiday reading, had occasion to refer to two or three books of Cicero's, and thought to borrow them at the library. "Have you got Cicero's *De Senectute*?" he asked, and was answered in the negative. "Have you *De Mione*?" "No, Sir." "Nor yet *In Verrem*?" "I'm very sorry, Sir," said the schoolmaster, "but the only thing of Mr. Cicero's we've got is his Opera."

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French Mail—The Nera arrived from France this morning.

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Going Leave.

Mr. De la Bur of the Messageries Maritimes is going on leave shortly.

Hongkong Christian Union. The Hongkong Christian Union are holding a meeting for men only in the Old Hall on Sunday next, at 9 p.m.

Very Drunk.

The police report that an Indian watchman was found so drunk at Hung Hom that he had to be sent to hospital.

"Rabbit" tea Ezra.

This evening at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms there will be a paper read on Browning's "Rabbit tea Ezra" to be followed by open discussion.

Mr. Vida Arrives.

By the French mail from the north Mr. Vida, the jockey, arrived in Hongkong this morning. He is staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

Rough Weather.

The French mail steamer Ville de la Ciotat, which arrived from Yokohama to-day, reports having encountered foggy weather and rough seas.

Tramway Accident.

A Chinese has been removed to the hospital suffering from injuries caused by being knocked down by a tram car in Des Vaux Road, yesterday evening.

Manchuria's Cargo.

The P. M. steamer Manchuria, which arrived in port yesterday, having left San Francisco on January 23rd, brought 1,424 tons of cargo to Hongkong.

Arrived.

Mr. C. F. McWilliam, General Passenger Agent for the Great Northern Steamship Co., arrived from Manila by the Manchuria, being accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Case Adjourned.

The case in which Burjorji Nankarwanji Talati is plaintiff and Mr. W. J. Talati the defendant concerning a question of partition, stands adjourned until Thursday next.

Races and Business.

In consequence of the postponement of the Races, the exchange banks, and the fire and marine insurance offices will be closed to business on Thursday at 11.45 a.m., as well as on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Tenders.

The following tenders are being invited by the local naval authorities:—Upholsters, dying work, etc.; labour and junks for Admiralty coaling; local coals for the generating station, Naval Yard, all for one year from April 1st next.

Committed Suicide.

A man aged 25, a native of Heung Shan, Maipo, has, according to the police report, committed suicide by jumping from a window on the third floor of 30, Connaught Road Central. He jumped into the rear garden premises.

Motor Accident.

The police report that a Chinese female aged 15 years, in running across the road, was knocked down by a motor car owned by Mr. Knox of Pokfulam. The car was stopped and every assistance rendered. The girl was conveyed in the car to the Government Civil Hospital.

Naval Funeral. Yesterday a very impressive funeral ceremony took place at the Happy Valley Cemetery, Protestant section, where a petty officer of S. M. S. Schamhorst, named A. Ensen, was buried with full naval honours. The cortege was met by a large number of officers and the ship's company, and was headed by the ship's band. Ensen had been ailing for some time, and the flags on the war vessels in the Harbour were at half mast yesterday as a mark of sympathy.

RACES POSTPONED.

Opening Day Fixed for To-morrow.

Considerable disappointment was occasioned this morning when it was learned that, owing to the heavy rain during the week-end, it had been decided that the races fixed for to-day should be postponed.

The following express was issued this morning:—
Hongkong Jockey Club Notice.

The races fixed to be run to-day are postponed and all Jockey Club arrangements made for to-day will hold good for to-morrow.

By Order.
T. F. Hough,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 24 February, 1913.
When we visited the course late this morning we found that it had been seriously affected by the rain. It was plainly evident that the downfall had left the track in such a state that had any events been run to-day the course would have been seriously broken-up for the subsequent racing.

There was a good number of Chinese in the neighbourhood, who, apparently, had not heard in time of the postponement. The heavy rains of this morning, following upon those of Sunday and Saturday night, caused pools of water to accumulate at different parts of the track, and in the opinion of the "powers that be," the going was dangerous both to pony and rider.

"THE LARK'S" SELECTIONS.

Provided the following ponies start for the events of the first day, these are my tips:—
The Woong-wei-chong Stakes:—1, Flirt, 2, Singular, 3, Silverton.

The Maiden Stakes:—1, Jambolai, 2, Sweet William, 3, Borneo Chief.

The Victoria Stakes:—1, Barford, 2, Mayfair, 3, Durbar Chief or Rice Bird.

The Valley Stakes:—1, Violini, 2, Grey Leg, 3, Donald Dhu.

The Poochow Cup:—1, Pershaw, 2, Wyal, 3, Joss Mighty.

The Trial Plate:—1, Fijian Chief, 2, Sir Ascan, 3, Sunlight.

The Garrison Cup:—1, Mahretha Chief, 2, Sevington, 3, Defford.

The Professional Cup:—1, Sweet Sultan, 2, Sir Bedivere, 3, Bruno.

The Hongkong Club Cup:—1, Sandringham, 2, Caspello, 3, Perpetual Motion.

The Racing Stakes:—1, Pyramids, 2, Lum, 3, Larkspur.

"The Lark."

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Very Large Calendar to Deal With.

Criminal sessions which begin on Monday next will have a remarkably large calendar to deal with. Among the cases that are to come before the court will be one charge of murder, two of bribery, charges in connection with the Cheung Chau Piracy, and eight other cases of alleged robbery, burglary, etc.

The case in which a number of Japanese are charged in connection with the seizure of bogus Chinese bank notes is expected to come on before the court on March 10 and we are informed that the prosecution, which is a private one, will be in the hands of Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Mr. M. W. Shado K.C., and Mr. E. J. Potter, Mr. O. G. Alabaster is defending three of the defendants, Mr. Jenkin some of the others, while a barrister from Japan will also appear.

HOUSE ENTERED.

Theft of Jewellery.

The police are now investigating a case in which a house in Morrison Hill has been visited by a thief.

Between Tuesday night and Wednesday morning last the police were informed that someone had entered the house of Mr. J. Owen Hughes, 5, Morrison Hill, and had taken away jewellery, belonging to Mrs. Hughes, to the value of about \$350. It is believed that access to the room had been gained by an open window which was reached by climbing a rain-water spout.

No arrests have been reported in connection with the affair.

THE LATE EMPRESS DOWAGER.

Some Points Concerning an Interesting Personality.

(Special Article.)

Our telegrams to-day record the death of the Empress Dowager of China, the widow of the late Emperor Kuang Hsu, who died under somewhat mysterious circumstances towards the end of 1908, almost simultaneously with that commanding figure in modern Chinese history, the Empress Dowager Tzu Hsi. The now deceased Empress Dowager was known by the honorific title of Lung Yu ("Blessed and Prosperous"). She was a daughter of the Duke Kwei Hsiang and the favourite niece of the Empress Dowager Tzu Hsi, whom she served most faithfully throughout an epoch-making period in the history of the last Dynasty to hold sway in China. She was married to the Emperor Kuang Hsu in 1889, some two years after the latter attained his majority.

The Part She Played.

As consort of the late Emperor Kuang Hsu, comparatively little was known of the Empress Dowager Lung Yu during the lifetime of her august aunt, Tzu Hsi, to whom she was entirely subservient. In that highly engrossing book, "China Under the Empress Dowager" (by J. O. P. Bland and E. Backhouse) the authors say:—"In marrying the Emperor to her favourite niece, Tzu Hsi intended to avoid a repetition of the mistake which she had committed in the case of her son, the Emperor Tung Chih, whose marriage with the virtuous A-tu-tse had resulted in dangerous intrigues against herself, until death had removed the offenders. Warned by this experience, she made her selection in the present instance less with a view to the Emperor's felicity than to the furtherance of her own purposes, which necessitated the presence by his side of some one who would watch over, and report on, his proceedings and proclivities. This part her niece played to perfection. In appearance she was unattractive, and in disposition and temper unsympathetic; but she possessed a considerable share of the Yehonsa intelligence and strength of will. From the first she was on bad terms with the Emperor. It was no secret at Court that they indulged in fierce and protracted quarrels, in which the young Empress generally came off victorious. As a natural result, Kuang Hsu developed and showed a marked preference for the society of his two senior concubines, known respectively as the 'Pearl' and 'Lustrous' consorts." It is well to recall here also that during the coup d'etat of 1898, when the Emperor's plan to undermine the power of Tzu Hsi was exposed, the deceased was commanded to remain with her husband on the palace on the lake within the Imperial City at Peking—obviously with the purpose of spying on him and reporting to the far-seeing Tzu Hsi his doings.

Safeguarding the Clan.

As has been indicated, during the lifetime of her august predecessor, the now deceased Empress Dowager did not figure greatly in the Court life in Peking. Following the death of the Emperor Kuang Hsu, however, Tzu Hsi, when she felt her own end was at hand, by a decree issued in the name of the infant Emperor, assumed the title of Empress Grand Dowager, making Kuang Hsu's widow Empress Dowager. In a further decree, dictated as she lay on her death-bed, Tzu Hsi even still demonstrated her long-headedness in matters of statecraft, the ingenious wording of the document being intended to afford to the Empress Dowager, Lung Yu, and the Yehonsa Clan, an opportunity for intervention at any special crisis, thus maintaining the Clan's final authority and safeguarding its position in the event of any hostile move by the Regent or his adherents.

An Example Copied.

During the short time that the Empress Dowager Lung Yu possessed any influence of her own—that was between the time of the Emperor Kuang Hsu's death and the outbreak of the Revolution of 1911, which led to the

overthrow of the Dynasty—she gave many evidences of following in the footsteps of her aunt, carrying into effect the wishes of the leaders of the Yehonsa clan that she should control the business of State, at least during the Regency. As to how far she would have succeeded in the task, even had she lived longer, no one can say. The great political upheaval which transformed the world's oldest Empire into its youngest Republic, put an end to her aspirations while they were yet young. All the same, Lung Yu must be regarded as a distinctly interesting personality if only because of the fact that she was the last representative of a now deceased Dynasty to bear the title of Empress Dowager.

CHIEF JUSTICE RETURNS.

Sir William and Lady Ross Davies returned to the Colony yesterday by the s.s. Manchuria from the Philippines, where they have been staying as the guests of H. E. The Governor General at his hill residence at Baguio.

FORGERY CHARGES.

Messrs. Arnold Karberg's Clerk Arrested in Manila.

At the Police Court, this morning, Wilhelm Aufermann, aged 30, clerk, of no fixed abode, of Dusseldorf, Germany was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland with forgery.

The charges were:—
(1) That Wilhelm Aufermann on the 4th January 1913 at Victoria, in this Colony, feloniously did forge a certain Bill of Exchange, to wit, a cheque bearing date the 4th day of January 1913 for the sum of \$2,000—purporting to have been drawn by Arnold Karberg and Company on the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, payable to one Kwai Lang or bearer, with intent thereby to defraud contrary to the provisions of section 24 of Ordinance No. 4 of 1865.

(2) That the said Wilhelm Aufermann, on the 4th day of January 1913 at Victoria, in this Colony, feloniously did utter, dispose of, and put off the said forged bill of exchange with intent thereby then to defraud, he, the said Wilhelm Aufermann, at the time so offered, uttered, disposed of, and put off the said forged Bill of Exchange, well knowing the same to be forged, contrary to the provisions of section 24 Ordinance 4 of 1865.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, the assistant Crown Solicitor, who prosecuted, made an application to his Worship to add a number of other charges. These charges dealt with forgery and fraud, the amounts stated being \$2,000 and \$3,200. Then there were charges of making false entries in the cash book on January 10th and 11th, February, 4th. With the first date was associated the allegation that he had entered \$28,790.70 as having been paid, whereas only in truth and in fact \$28,790.70 had been paid. The other charge of false entry was concerned with \$17,748.05 which was declared to have been paid in, whereas in truth and in fact the amount received was only \$15,748.05.

Defendant pleaded not guilty to all charges and applied for bail.

Mr. Hodgson said he would not object to bail of \$5,000.

Defendant:—Would you accept \$4,000?

His Worship said bail would be granted in \$5,000 and he would formally remand the case until March 5th, and would hear the evidence on Monday 5th.

Defendant was, we are informed, arrested in Manila and brought to Hongkong on Saturday.

New Advertisements.

K. A. J. Obertal and Co., Chinese silks; Bon Ton Store, faces; silk, hosiery, hats, etc.; Chellaram, silk store; W. Ramchand and Co., silk, hosiery, etc.; all Page 5.

Empress Dowager's Death. We are informed by Captain E. M. Connolly, A. D. C. to His Excellency the Governor, that a telegram was received from Peking at Government House on Saturday to the effect that the Empress Dowager died suddenly at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning.

DALLAS COMEDY CO.

Great Success Scored on Opening Night.

If the size of the audience at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night may be taken as a guide to the extent of future patronage of the Dallas Comedy Company here, then a tremendously successful season is assured. Practically every seat in the building was occupied, and what is much more to the point, there was not a solitary individual present who did not spend a downright happy evening of rollicking merriment. It was a night of uncontrollable laughter; at times the audience went well-nigh into hysterics so fast and furious was the fun. "The Glad Eye" was the play staged, and it certainly merited the description of being the funniest play seen for many a long day. It has the recommendation of modernity, too, and most of those present saw it for the first time. Among the audience were His Excellency the Governor and Lady May, together with a party from Government House.

The Story.

There is little that is original about the theme of the play; it is a bright example of the farcical comedy, proceeding on conventional lines, but teeming with the funniest and most ludicrous situations, succeeding one another with astounding rapidity. The story revolves round a couple of giddy husbands, who, drawn by the "glad eye" of pretty girls, contract a little habit of making periodic jaunts into Paris, excusing their frequent absences from their wives by feigning a passion for ballooning. The good wives are supposed thoroughly to believe in the genuineness of these aeronautical flights, though as a matter of fact they succeed in learning the truth, and it so happens that the gay husbands return home expecting a warm welcome from their spouses, only to learn that information has reached the latter, who at this moment are out on a motor trip, that the balloon is still floating in the clouds somewhere over Holland!

Sparkling Comedy.

It is too late for the husbands to make their escape from the house again, and a succession of seemingly funny incidents follows, ending in a complete exposure of the unfaithful husbands, much to be latter's chagrin. There is also cleverly worked into the story the doings of an old gentleman, with spiritualistic proclivities, a medium, a French count, a chic little lady from a fur establishment (who happens to be the peculiar fancy of one of the erring husbands), a police detective, a butler and several other characters. The brightness of the dialogue and the sparkling nature of the comedy are only what one expects from a play of this type, adapted from the French. The Company rose to the occasion well, and interpreted the play most happily. With the exception of our old friends Mr and Mrs Dallas, the whole of the members were new to Hongkong, and it may be said that the combination is an extremely capable, all-round Company.

No "Lame Ducks"

Judging from Saturday's performance, there are no "lame ducks" in this latest Company which Mr. Bandmann has sent out East. It would not be an easy matter to single out for commendation the work of any particular artist in the opening performance. All excelled in their several parts, though a word may be peddled of the manner in which the principals came through in the presentation of their respective roles. The parts of the two wives were taken by Misses Geraldine Le Sage and May Hallatt, with marked success, the former doing especially well as the happy-go-lucky wife with a bright philosophical outlook on life. Mr. Henry Dallas and Mr. Robert Ashby were the truant husbands, and both kept the fun going at a lively rate. As Kiki, the gay little maid from the fur shop, Miss Nell Compton was vivacious itself, while further notable successes were scored by Mr. Geoffrey Guise as the spiritualistic old-gent, and Mr. J. W. Austin in the part of the medium. The remaining characters were also in able hands. To-night there will be a complete change in the type of play

presented, for J. M. Barrie's "What Every Woman Knows" is to be staged. This is one of Company's strongest attraction, and a full house is assured by the extent of the booking. His Excellency and Lady May will again be present. There can be no better way of compensating for disappointment caused by the postponement of the Races than in seeing this great play as the Dallas Comedy will present it for the first time in Hongkong.

Messrs. Moutrie's inform us that during the races their office will be open each day from 10 a.m. till noon, for the purpose of booking. In the afternoon plans can be seen and seats booked at the Hongkong Hotel.

YACHTING.

C.V.C. Seventh Club Championship Race.

The 7th Club Championship race in connection with the C.V.C. was held on Sunday over the following course: Lyemun Beacon (port), Kowloon Rocks (port), Channel Rocks (starboard). Distance 9 miles. At the beginning of the race the wind was very light and variable but increased in force when Kowloon Bay was opened out and continued to blow strongly from the north-east until all classes had finished.

	Fin.	Corrected Time
La Linda	D. N. S.	
Rolla	11 55 56	11 57 21
Lily	12 08 58	12 07 21
Dorothea	12 06 20	13 01 35
Spoondrift	D. N. S.	
Violet	12 03 45	12 01 38
Daisy	D. N. S.	
Ayesha	12 17 57	12 08 21
Corrinee	D. N. F.	
Eva	D. N. S.	
Haleyon	12 15 11	11 56 11
Allanrah	D. N. F.	
Vera	D. N. F.	

	Position	Pts for Race	Pts to Date
1 Haleyon	14	69	
2 Rolla	12	12	
3 Dorothea	11	71	
4 Violet	10	55	
5 Lily	9	82	
6 Ayesha	8	67	
La Linda	—	35	
Daisy	—	5	
Corrinee	—	46	
Vera	—	5	

	Position	Pts for Race	Pts to Date
1 Sirius	10	60	
2 Dawn	8	60	
3 Bat	7	46	
4 White Rose	6	40	
5 Owl	5	32	
6 Lysbeth	4	38	

	Gael Class	Pts to Date
Gael	12 58.12	12 58.12
Asthore	D.N.F.	
Anna	12 59.43	12 59.43
Thecla	12 52.40	12 52.40
Joan	D.N.S.	
Toinette	D.N.F.	
Beatrice	12 58.16	12 56.40
Dorothy	D.N.S.	

	Position	Pts for Race	Pts to Date
1 Thecla	9	43	
2 Beatrice	7	29	
3 Gael	6	41	
4 Anna	5	45	
5 Joan	—	15	
6 Asthore	—	28	
7 Toinette	—	9	

SAILORS FINED

Before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, two Filipino Sailors from the U. S. survey ship Rival, were charged with disorderly conduct at Hang Hom.

It appeared that the defendants went to a low-class Chinese house and, on being refused admission, one of them cut the sliding door with a knife. A police whistle was blown and a Chinese detective and a district watchman went to the house. These one of the defendants chased away after drawing a knife. The defendants were each fined \$10 or in default one month's imprisonment.

LATEST MAIL NEWS.

Condensed Summary of Home Happenings.

The chief feature of the Balkan crisis recorded in Home papers for the week ending January 31st was the rupture in the peace negotiations precipitated by the action of the Allies' delegates. The resolve to break off the negotiations was, we learn, arrived at after several days of serious consideration. The question of the sacrifices imposed on the Allies by Turkish procrastination had previously been discussed by the Allies' delegates in London, and it was resolved to demand an increased war indemnity on this ground. Apart from the heavy expenses of maintaining the four armies in the field, the ruinous losses which must be incurred, owing to the withdrawal of all the able-bodied men from agricultural operations was considered. The spring ploughing was to begin in a few weeks, and work of this kind could not be done by women. Even the partial loss of the crop would cause enormous suffering in all the States, and especially in Bulgaria.

Woman Suffrage.

The woman suffrage question loomed large during the period under notice, the dropping of the Franchise Bill by the Government giving great offence to the women, which led to fresh outbreaks of militancy.

The circumstances which led to the dropping of the Bill may be recounted. It will be recalled that Mr. Bonar Law put a question to the Speaker, based on a ruling of Mr. Speaker Peel, whether the Government amendments to the Bill would not make such a material difference as to necessitate its withdrawal and the introduction of a new Bill. The Speaker, in reply, gave no absolute ruling, but made the significant observation that the principle was clearly stated by Erskine May, that if substantial amendments made in Committee so affect the form and substance of a Bill as to make it for all practical purposes a new Bill, then a new Bill must be introduced. There, for the present, he left the matter. This was on January 23rd, and on the 27th the Speaker clearly intimated that if any of the amendments for the introduction of woman suffrage were inserted, the Bill would in effect become a new measure which ought to be withdrawn according to the practice of the House.

Mr. Asquith followed the Speaker and stated emphatically that this ruling had not been expected by the Government, and that the point raised by the Speaker had not escaped their attention. But they had formed the opinion that as in 1867 and 1884 amendments were moved in Committee for the extension of the franchise to women, it would be possible to incorporate in this franchise and registration measure one or other of the amendments which had been put upon the paper. They recognized that they were under a very special obligation to the promoters of the cause of woman suffrage, and it should not be supposed that they had neglected to consider the point of procedure or that there had been anything in the nature of sharp practice.

The Premier subsequently intimated the Government's intentions of giving facilities next session to a private Women's Suffrage Bill; and in the debate which followed, Mr. Bonar Law declared that the Government were rushing their Bills through, living from hand to mouth, and only thought of the means by which they could continue in office for another year.

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FRED J. HALTON.

Hongkong, 24th Feb. 1913. [275]

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Forms of tender may be obtained on application to the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Naval Yard.

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H. M. Naval Yard, F. WESTON,
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H. M. Naval Yard, F. WESTON,
Hongkong, Naval Store Officer,
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Destination	Steamers	Sailing Dates
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	KAMAKURA MARU Capt. T. Mori T. 2,500	WEDNESDAY, 27th Feb.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU Capt. F. L. Cope T. 18,000	THURSDAY, 27th Feb. 11 a.m.
AMERICA & ...	SHIDZUOKA MARU Capt. T. Iritawa T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 25th Feb., at Noon.
	TAMBA MARU Capt. J. Terazuka T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 11th March, at noon.
EUROPE & ...	ATSUTA MARU Capt. J. Nagao T. 18,000	WEDNESDAY, 26th Feb., at daylight.
	HITACHI MARU Capt. T. Yamawaki T. 18,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th March, at daylight.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CEYLON MARU Capt. Noma T. 12,000	MONDAY, 3rd March.
CALCUTTA & ...	JINSEN MARU Capt. M. Machida T. 8,000	TUESDAY, 4th March.
YOKOHAMA & ...	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th March, at Noon.
AUSTRALIA & ...	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 9th April, at noon.

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PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1913.

FOR EUROPE.

Steamer.	Tons displacement.	Leaving H.K.
Hitachi Maru	18,000	12th March.
Miyazaki Maru	18,000	26th March.
Kitano Maru	18,000	9th April.
Iyo Maru	12,500	23rd April.
Hirano Maru	16,000	7th May.
Tango Maru	18,500	21st May.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamer.	Tons displacement.	Leaving H.K.
Tamba Maru	12,500	11th March.
Awa Maru	12,500	25th March.
Sedo Maru	12,500	4th April.
Yokohama Maru	12,500	22nd April.
Inaba Maru	12,500	6th May.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	20th May.

(Subject to change without notice.)

T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

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NINGPO	"SHAHSING" ... 26th Feb., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, WEI-HAI-WEI, CHEFOO AND DALNY	"LIANGCHOW" ... 26th Feb., at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	"SUNGKIANG" ... 26th Feb., at 10 a.m.
IENTSIN	"KUEICHOW" ... 27th Feb., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN" ... 27th Feb., at 4 p.m.

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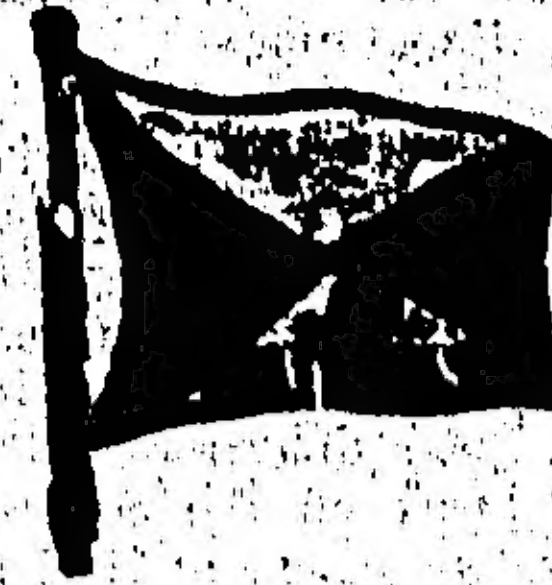
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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
ZAFIRO	4030	F. S. MacMurray	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	TUESDAY, 25th Feb., 4 P.M.
RUBI	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	FRIDAY, 7th March, 4 P.M.

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Hongkong 17th February, 1913. [14]

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LIJN.

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JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected at Hongkong	Will leave on or about
Tilmancock	JAVA	2nd half Feb.	JAPAN 2nd half Feb.
Tilmancock	JAPAN	2nd half Feb.	SHANGHAI 2nd half Feb.
Tilmancock	JAPAN	1st half Mar.	JAPAN 1st half Mar.
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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	22,000	W. W. Green	Mar. 11th, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	11,000	A. G. Stevens	April 1st, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	22,000	E. Bent	April 8th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	22,000	H. S. Smith	April 29th, Noon.

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Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Buyo Maru	10,500	Thursday, April 3, Noon 1913.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Wednesday, June 4, Noon.
Kyo Maru	17,300	Tuesday, August 5, Noon 1913.

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Steamers:	• China ...10,300	Tons	Starting,	Feb. 25th,	at 8 p.m.
	Manchuria. 27,000	"	"	Mar. 4th,	at 1 p.m.
	• Nile ...11,000	"	"	Mar. 18th,	at 8 p.m.
	Mongolia...27,000	"	"	Mar. 25th,	at 1 p.m.

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From HONGKONG	Arrive Manila	Leave Manila	Due Hongkong
Feb. 26 CHINA	Feb. 27	Feb. 21 MANCHURIA	Feb. 28
Mar. 18 NILE	Mar. 21	Mar. 8 NILE	Mar. 10
Apr. 15 PERSIA	Apr. 17	Mar. 16 MONGOLIA	Mar. 18
May 18 CHINA	May 19	Apr. 5 PERSIA	Apr. 7

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LOG BOOK.

China Coast Officers' Guild.

"Shipping and Engineering" is informed by the Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild that the membership now amounts to 290, instead of 271 as was the case when the annual report was laid before the meeting on February 9.

A New Shipping Bill.

Congressman S. B. Ayers of New York has introduced a bill in Congress "to restore the foreign merchant marine." The bill says that every vessel not of the United States, and bringing to the United States a cargo larger than 10 per cent. produced in another country than its own, or carrying a cargo produced in another country, shall be deemed as engaged in indirect trade. Upon all foreign productions introduced into the United States in this indirect trade the bill would impose an ad valorem tax of 1 per cent. for the first year, 2 per cent. for the second and so on until 5 per cent. was reached in the fifth year. It is claimed that indirect trading of this kind would be taxed out of existence to the benefit of the American foreign merchant marine.

The S.S. Canterbury.

The S.S. Canterbury S.S. Company's steamer Canterbury, 4,200 tons, which was on her way from Vladivostok to Port Said for orders with a cargo of 6,500 tons beans, struck a submerged reef off the Northern end of O. J. Island in the Iki Channel on February 4 shortly after leaving Karatsu, where she had called for bunker coals, and foundered in 30 fathoms of water. The crew were taken off by a trawler and efforts were made by the cable tender Ogasawara Maru to beach the vessel, but she foundered before she could be reached in Lt. 33 deg. 38' N., Long. 128 deg. 48' E. The Canterbury was built in 1907 by the Northumberland Shipbuilding Co. of Newcastle.

The R. V. F. S. Rjasan.

The Russian Volunteer Fleet steamer Rjasan, which arrived at Shanghai from Vladivostok on January 31, was compelled to enter the Yangtsepoosook owing to her propeller having been damaged in the ice outside of that port. One of the blades was broken short off while the other three were broken about one-quarter of their length. In consequence of the severity of the weather, it is stated that a fleet of about 200 steamers and cargo-boats have been frozen in on the Amur, their cargoes, which were consigned to Blagoveshensk, being valued at close on £5,000,000. One result of the ice block has been to end the rate was which was being waged for the China traffic and most of the steamers have been sent South to seek other employment, with the result that the deck passenger fares have risen to a more remunerative level. "Shipping and Engineering."

The Hanping Ashore.

While coming down river on January 28 the Hanping Iron Works steamer Hanping went ashore in Wills Island Channel, says "Shipping and Engineering," and after being refloated took the ground again in Bluff Channel, below the Upper Lightboat and remained fast for 52 hours. Two of the company's tugs were sent from Hankow to her assistance but during the operations of refloating her a three-inch wire was fouled by one of her propellers and an eight-inch manila by the other. As all attempts to clear the lines were futile, the vessel was towed to Kinkiang where, no divers being obtainable, a diving bell was smartly rigged up out of a windsail in which two divers had been out and a man lowered over the stern. He was assisted in his work by a light made by fixing an electric lamp in a boiler tube with a glass at the end. It was found impossible, however, to clear the wire, and the vessel was compelled to proceed with one engine to Shanghai where she arrived on February 3 and went into dock.

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Next Sailings from Hongkong:

OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:	For Harbin, Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:
" SCHWABENBURG 23rd Feb.	S.S. BRISGAVIA ... 11th March
" SPEZIA ... 8th March	For Harbin, Bremen & Hamburg:
" SCANDIA ... 10th March	S.S. J. D. AILERS ... 18th March
" SITHONIA ... 28th March	For Marseilles, Bremen & Hamburg:
" LIBERIA ... 8th April	S.S. BELGRAVIA ... 19th March
	For Harbin & Hamburg:
	S.S. SILESIA ... 23rd March
	For Harbin & Hamburg:
	S.S. SCHWABENBURG 26th March
	For Vancouver & Portland (Or.):
	S.S. SITHONIA ... 28th March
	For Harbin, Bremen, H. & A.werp:
	S.S. SACHSEN ... 12th April
	For Harbin & Hamburg:
	S.S. SCANDIA ... 14th April

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EASTWARD.
The S.S. "MUTTRA," 4544 tons gross, Captain H. G. G. will be despatched for YOKOHAMA, KOBE on the 13th March at noon and will be followed by the S.S. "FULTA," 4151 tons gross, Captain H. W. Talbot, sailing hence on or about the 19th March at noon, taking cargo and passengers at current rates.

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LOG BOOK.

Cargo from Clan Boat.

The Colombo agents of the Clan Line have received a cable from the owners saying that about 2,000 tons of cargo had been saved from the Clan MacKenzie, wrecked off the Spanish coast.

Austrian Lloyd Returns.
The Austrian Lloyd returns its gross takings during November at 3,699,036 kr., an improvement of 592,254 kr., compared with the corresponding period of 1911, while the distance covered advanced 38,045 knots, to 209,336 knots.

Silk Shipment.

The Hongkong office of the T.K.K. is in receipt of cable advice from the Company's Yokohama Agent to the effect that the silk shipped per s.s. Tenyo Maru on the 17th January arrived in New York on the 18th inst., being 4 days and 17 hours after steamer's arrival at San Francisco.

The damage to the Indrakula. The damage to the Indrakula, which was already reported, was in collision in Chesapeake Bay with the steamer Lukenbach, consists of the following:—21 plates to be renewed; 8 to be faired in place; 16 broken frames to be renewed and the stem renewed. In addition the internal work of the forepeak was destroyed, the collision bulkhead damaged and other minor damage. It is estimated that the repairs will cost \$22,400 and will occupy about three weeks.

P. & O. and Immingham.

In reference to the statement which is published in a number of London newspapers that the P. and O. Steam Navigation Company proposes to run a monthly service of steamers to India, China, and Japan from Immingham, the Great Central Railway Company's new port on the Lincolnshire coast, we may point out, says the "L. and O. Express," that the company has for some time past had a service from Immingham to India, but we learn that there is no intention to create a service to the further East.

The late Capt. W. Jamieson.

The inquiry into the death of Capt. William Jamieson, who was found dead in his bunk on board the C.M.S. Chiyuen, early on the morning of February 7, was resumed on the 17th inst. at Shanghai. Dr. Macleod stated that on February 8, at 3.30 p.m. he examined, at the mortuary, the body of Capt. Jamieson. The deceased was a patient of his for many years, and there was nothing in his medical history to account for his death. The body was well nourished and presented no signs of violence. The face was free from pallor, and more like sleep than death. The lungs, kidneys,

and brain were slightly congested, but there were no postmortem signs accounting for the sudden death, which in the opinion of the witness was from heart failure or syncope. This might occur from natural causes or as the result of certain poisons. The heart failure within one and three-quarter hours from retiring to sleep; the condition of the blood fluid; the congestion of lungs, kidneys and brains were signs compatible with poisoning by chloral hydrate which was known to have caused death in fifteen minutes and to have killed an adult in so small a dose as twenty grains, and leave no characteristic postmortem signs. The appearance of the body was compatible with death during sleep. Answering the Coroner, the doctor said that it was extremely unlikely that poison could have been administered while the deceased slept. He had been informed of the result of an analysis. He was not certain that death was caused by chloral hydrate, but the probability was that it was due to that. The deceased might have been susceptible to the action of chloral hydrate. Chloroform was not known to contain chloral hydrate, and if chloroform had been taken the stomach should have shown traces of morphine. If

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London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Somali	P. & O. Co.	5 March, about
London via Usual Ports of Call	Devanha	P. & O. Co.	1 March
Europe	Atsuta Maru	N. Y. K.	26 February
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Brigavia	H. A. L.	11 March
do do do	O. J. D. Ahlers	H. A. L.	18 March
do do do	Dunerio	Bank Line	End of February
Capo Ports via Mauritius	Bolgravia	H. A. L.	18 March
Marseilles, Bremen, and Hamburg, &c.	Buyo Maru	T. K. K.	23 April
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Glenlogon	S. T. & Co.	Middle of March
U.K. & Continental Ports	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	4 March, about
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Africa	S. W. & Co.	13 March
Trieste, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, &c.			

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

New York	Ambria	H. A. L.	12 March
Boston & New York via Ports & Suez Canal	Indradeo	S. T. & Co.	26 Feb about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	China	P. M. Co.	25 February
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Victoria, B.C. and Tacoma via Shanghai, &c.	Canada Maru	O. S. K.	5 March
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Shidzuoka Maru	N. Y. K.	25 February
Vancouver	Monteagle	O. P. R. Co.	8 March
Vancouver B.C. and Portland (Or.)	Sithonia	H. A. L.	28 March
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of India	O. P. R. Co.	5 April

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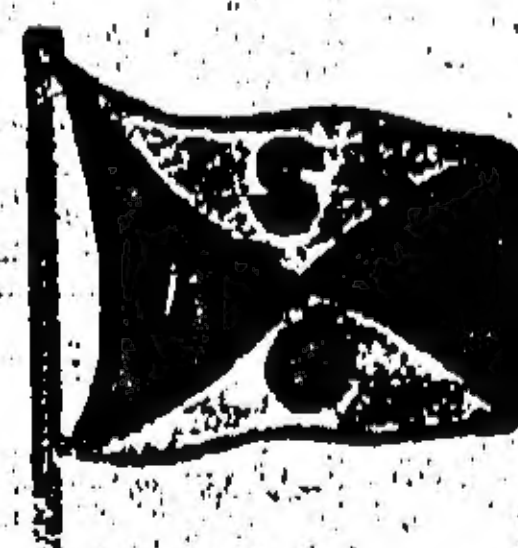
Australian Ports via Manila	Empire	G. L. & Co.	11 March
do do do	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	12 March
do do do	Guthrie	B. & S.	26 February

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tittaroom	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tijmah	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo	Totomi Maru	N. Y. K.	3 March
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Yatsling	J. M. & Co.	14 March
Singapore, Penang and Rangoon	Quiloo	J. M. & Co.	12 March
Sundakan	Mausang	J. M. & Co.	27 February
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	End of February
Japan	Tjilwong	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kobe and Yokohama	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	4 March, about
do do do	Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	13 March
do do do	Kitano Maru	T. K. K.	27 March
Yokohama and Kobe	Muttra	J. M. & Co.	12 March
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Yawata Maru	N. Y. K.	12 March
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	Austria	S. W. & Co.	1 April, about
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	1 March
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	25 February
do do do do do	Kaifong	B. & S.	25 February
do do do do do	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	7 March
Ningpo	Shaoheing	B. & S.	25 February
Hientsin	Kueichow	B. & S.	27 February
do do do do do	Chipsing	J. M. & Co.	2 March
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	Si-Kiang	M. M. Co.	26 February
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	25 February
do do do do do	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	28 February
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	28 February
Shanghai, Weibaiwei, Chefoo and Dalny	Liangchow	B. & S.	25 February
Shanghai and Japan	Den of Glamis	J. M. & Co.	10 March
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Schwarzburg	H. A. L.	28 February
do do do do do	Spezia	H. A. L.	8 March
do do do do do	Scandia	H. A. L.	10 March
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Komokura Maru	N. Y. K.	26 February
do do do do do	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	15 March
do do do do do	Katsang	J. M. & Co.	25 February
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Arratoon Apar	D. S. & Co.	15 March
do do do do do	Nippon	A. N. & Co.	7 March, about
do do do do do	Tijlajap	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do do do	Tijbodas	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do do do	Tjikini	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do do do	Africa	S. W. & Co.	1 March
do do do do do	Delta	P. & O. Co.	27 Feb, about
do do do do do	Hangsang	J. M. & Co.	26 February
do do do do do	Waisang	J. M. & Co.	27 February
do do do do do	Lizan	B. & S.	27 February

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ed as a poison by the witness. Inspector T. Mallowes of the River Police, said that he found two bottles of tincture in the cabin of the deceased. He removed the body to the mortuary. The Coroner in returning his verdict said:—That the deceased was found dead in his cabin, on board the Chiyuen, early in the morning of February 7; chloral hydrate was found in his stomach, but that the cause of death was uncertain.

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Agents.

Hongkong, 19th Feb. 1913.

The Agents of The Bank Line Ltd., at Kobe are in receipt of a wireless message from the Commander of their s.s. Polaris advising that he expected to reach port on the 20th inst. This steamer discharges in Japan and then proceeds to Manila and Hongkong. The s.s. Glenloch passed the Suez Canal on 18th inst., for Hongkong via Straits. The P. & O. s.s. Wakool is expected to arrive at Colombo on the 6th prox., at 6 a.m. The H. A. L. s.s. Schwarzburg left Singapore on the 21st inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 28th inst., a.m. The German s.s. Borneo left Sandakan on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on the 26th inst., at noon. The P. & O. s.s. Wakool is expected to arrive at Colombo on the 6th prox., at 6 a.m. The I. O. S. N. s.s. Sulsang from Calcutta is due at Hongkong on the 25th inst. The s.s. Glenfarg left Singapore on the 21st inst., and is due here on the 27th inst. The German s.s. Borneo left Sandakan on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on the 26th inst., at noon. The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s s.s. Nippon left Suez on the 11th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 10th prox. The T. K. K. s.s. Buyo Maru, left Manzanillo for Hongkong on the 28th ult., and is due in Hongkong on the 30th prox.

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The T. K. K. s.s. Shinyo Maru left San Francisco via usual ports of call on the 11th inst., at noon.

The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyu Maru arrived at Yokohama from Honolulu on the 18th inst., and is due in Hongkong on the 4th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru leaves San Francisco for Hongkong via usual ports on the 21st inst., and is due here on the 20th prox.

The P. M. s.s. Mongolia with the American mail left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu the usual Japan Ports and Manila on the 15th inst.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. s.s. Delta left Singapore for this port on the 22nd inst., at 9 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 27th inst., at 6 a.m.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The O. P. R. s.s. Empress of Japan left Yokohama on the 16th inst., at 2 p.m., and is due to arrive at Vancouver, B.C., on the 28th inst.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Waldemar left Sydney on the 8th inst., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on the 3rd prox.

The E. & A. s.s. St. Albans left Sydney on the 12th inst., for Manila and this port via Queensland Ports and Port Darwin.

The I. G. M. s.s. Coblenz, which left here on the 25th ult., at 3 p.m., arrived at Sydney on the 20th inst., at 3 p.m.

FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. Ville de la Ciotat, with the outward French mail, will leave for Europe on the 25th inst., at 1 p.m.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Ludwig, which left here on the 22nd ult., at 10 a.m., arrived at Genoa on the 18th inst., at 7 a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Mogul Line s.s. Ghazee left United Kingdom on the 26th Jan., for the Far East via Straits.

The T. K. K. s.s. Buyo Maru leaves Honolulu for Yokohama on the 14th inst., and is due in Hongkong on the 20th prox.

The I. O. S. N. s.s. Kumsang from Calcutta is due at Hongkong on the 1st prox.

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The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru, left Calcutta for Iquique and Valparaiso on the 29th ult.

The s.s. Glenfarg, passed the Suez Canal on the 24th ult., for Hongkong via Straits.

The A. & O. s.s. Welsh Prince from New York left Sabang on the 16th inst., is expected here on the 26th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
Bessie Dollar, Br. s.s., 2,797 T. J. Graham, 16th Feb.—Manila, P.I. 13th Feb.—Lumber.—Robert Dollar Co.

Canada Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,739 T. K. Hori, 22nd Feb.—Tacoma and Shanghai 20th Feb.—Gen.—O. S. K.

Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., Jurgenson, 21st Feb.—Pak-hoi and Hoihow, Gen.—J. & Co.

China, Am. s.s., 3,185 T. Thompson, 18th Feb.—San Francisco 17th Jan., Gen.—P. M. Co.

Chun Sang, Br. s.s., 1,418 T. Mattook, 18th Feb.—Sandakan 12th Feb.—Timber—J. M. & Co.

Olara, Jap. s.s., 1,133 T. Uderup, 22nd Feb.—Rangoon, Gen.—J. & Co.

Derwent, Ger. s.s., 1,562 T. Jensen, 6th Feb.—Tegah via P. Laut 28th Jan., Sugar, Chinese.

Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410 T. Malkin, 18th Feb.—Saigon 14th Feb., Rice.—Chinese.

Fushiki Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,140 T. Tanaka, 19th Feb.—Foochow 17th Feb.—Ballast.—J. B. S.

Guthrie, Br. s.s., 3,660 T. 20th Feb.—Sydney via Manila 17th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Glenhi, Br. s.s., 2,649 T. Henderson, 16th Feb.—Moji 10th Feb.—Coal.—G. & Co.

Hampshire, Br. s.s., 1,800 T. E. Hunter, 21st Feb.—Malta and Singapore 13th Jan.

Ixion, Br. s.s., 5,627 T. Riephamer, 22nd Feb.—Manila 19th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Jelunga, Br. s.s., 3,360 T. Macfadyn, 19th Feb.—Moji 14th Feb.,

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JARDINE, MATHESON &
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Hongkong, 21st Feb. 1913. [201]

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FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN
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The above mentioned vessel having
arrived Consignees of cargo are hereby
notified to send in their Bills of Lading
for counter signature and take im-
mediate delivery of cargo in the Com-
pany's Godown, cargo being landed im-
mediately at Consignee's risk.

Cargo remaining undelivered on TUES-
DAY Feb. 26th, 1913, at noon will be
subject to landing and storage charges.

No fire insurance will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged
cargo will be examined at the above
Company's godown Monday Feb.
24th, 1913 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained un-
less accompanied by short delivery note
or list of exceptions taken at the time of
delivery to consignee and sign for and
on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before
24th, 18th 1913, otherwise they will
not be recognized.

FRED J. HALTON,
Agent

Hongkong, 19th Feb. 1913. [191]

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FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE
AND MOUL.

THE Steamship

"JELUNGA,"

having arrived from the above ports,
Consignees of cargo are hereby infor-
med that their goods will be delivered
from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be
landed at Consignee's risk and expense
into the hazardous and/or extra hazar-
dous Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company
Limited.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.
Agents.

Hongkong 19th, Feb. 1913. [191]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SILESIA"

Capt. Ernst, having arrived, Consig-
nees of Cargo are hereby informed that
their goods are being landed and placed
at their risk in the hazardous and/or
extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hong-
kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown
Company, Limited, whence delivery
may be obtained against Bills of Lading
countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on un-
less notice to the contrary is given
to-day.

All Claims must be presented within
ten days of the steamer's arrival here,
after which date they cannot be re-
cognized.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods must be left in the Godowns
where they will be examined on the 22nd
inst. at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

This steamer brings on cargo—
ex S.S. "Stahleck" from Stambul.

"Fair" Abat.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hongkong Office

Hongkong 17th Feb. 1913. [186]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL

LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ LITEL FRIEDRICH,"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods, with
the exception of Opium, Treasure and
Valuables, are being landed and stored
at their risk into the hazardous and/or
extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company, Limited, Kowloon, and
West Point Godowns, whence delivery
may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on
unless intimation is received from the
Consignees before noon to-day request-
ing it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
goods remaining undelivered after the
27th of Feb. 1913, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the 27th
of Feb. at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the
6th of Mar. 1913, or they will not be
recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected,
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELOERS & CO.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, 20th Feb. 1913. [195]

SHORT STORY.

(Continued from page 3).

ed back against the wall and kept
the Captain by her.

"Go in," she called to Miss
Austin—"go in. Good night.
Don't forget that your dog's a
delicate little mite; don't give
him meat without chopping it
very fine. Good night."

"Why?" faltered Miss Austin
—"aren't you coming too?"

"No—not in there. You're
best alone. It's safe enough for
us, now the row's over." And,
slipping her arm through the
Captain's, she hurried him away.

Well round the corner, she
stopped short, clasped her two
hands about the Captain's big fore-
arm, and looked up into his face,
which was balled and swollen.

"What's the matter, Jim?" she
whispered.

"Never your mind," he growled.
"You were roughing it with
that girl. I saw it. I didn't think
you were a dirty coward, Jim,
but I guess you are. You're like

the rest—one of the worst, really.
They've kept you on the Coast too
long. It's got you, the way it
gets all of them sooner or later.
Sometimes—I even think it's got
me."

"Didn't think anything would
get you," muttered the Captain.

"Never mind that now. What
about this girl? Haven't you got
any brains left? Can't you see
she doesn't talk our language?
Can't you see she's decent, Jim?"

Captain Waters chewed his lip.

"How was I to help it? She had
me going—I was crazy. I can't
—now see; I've got to go back
to that hotel and talk to her uncle
and try to remember I'm an officer.
An officer—oh, God! ... Guess
you're right, Elsie. The Coast's
got me. It's got me, all right.
But talking that way don't help.
I'd like to know what I'm to do.
I've got to go back to that
hotel—"

"Shut up, Jim," said Miss
Carmichael. Still clasping his
arm, she leaned back against the
wall. Her face looked white
and delicate in the faint light.
Her usually hard mouth
had softened. "There's a few
things I ain't, Jim," she breathed;
"I'm a gambler, yes. I work for
big Tex Conner of Shanghai, yes.
But there's a few things I ain't.
There's no man ever made love to
me in Pekin—no in Peking, ...
Jim, you leave that girl alone;
Do you get me? They'll only be
here a week or two. I guess
there's a little plain manhood left
in you somewhere." She caught
her breath. Her pale eyes were
luminous. Something that might
have been either a sob or a
bitter little laugh escaped her.
Under pretence of brushing back
a stray lock of hair, she cover-
ed her face for a moment with her
hand. Then her head dropped
and sank against his breast. His
arm slid about her shoulders.
"Let that child alone, Jim,"
she murmured. "I'll help

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the rest—one of the worst, really.

They've kept you on the Coast too

long. It's got you, the way it

gets all of them sooner or later.

Sometimes—I even think it's got

me."

"Didn't think anything would

get you," muttered the Captain.

"Never mind that now. What

about this girl? Haven't you got

any brains left? Can't you see

SHORT STORY.

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quite the same sort of blue and white as the dishes and vases, but that wonderful hair of yours is certainly about as near blue as black can be."

There was a knock at the door, and Mrs. Wilberly, still in negligee and drowsy of eye, came in from the adjoining room.

"I've had quite a nap," she observed. Then—"Oh, you got that dog!"

Her niece nodded brightly, and held him up for inspection.

"He is cunning," mused Mrs. Wilberly. "But—oh, yes! It wasn't a dog Harriet wanted. Wait a minute—I can show you on the letter. We read it wrong. It isn't a P. at all. It's meant for an R. But the pen points spread out on the last down stroke and the ink didn't run. If you look closely—there! You can see the little scratches. It's a rug she wants, not a pug—a Peking Rug."

"Oh, I see," replied Miss Austin demurely. "It was a natural enough mistake, though. And it's just as well, because now I can keep Wing for myself."

Look at him, Aunt! Did you ever in your life see anything so perfectly darling?"

"MacLure's Magazine."

Public Companies.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND DECLARED for the Half Year ending 31st December, 1912, at the rate of Two Pence Sterling together with a Bonus of Five Shillings Sterling per share of \$125 is Payable on and after MONDAY the 24th day of February, Current, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd Feb. 1913. [104]

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of Exchange Business on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday the 26th, 27th and 28th instant at 11.45 a.m.
Hongkong 24th Feb. 1913. [192]

HONGKONG ICE CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the General Managers at 11.45 a.m. on Wednesday 5th prox. to read the Statement of the Company's Accounts for 31st December 1912 and the Report of the General Managers. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd inst to the 28th inst, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON AND CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong 20th Feb. 1913. [197]

NOTICE.

MR. WALLACE J. HANSEN having left our firm, the Power of Attorney which he held since May 31st, 1912, has been cancelled.

ARTHUR NILSSON & Co.
Hongkong, 18th Feb. 1913. [183]

Notice

NOTICE.

LADIES & GENTLEMEN.—We beg to inform our Customers that we have removed to No. 37 Queen's Rd. Central, on Tuesday the 18th inst.

Silk and Grass Linen Dress & House patterns, silk scarves, shawls, Mandarin coats and all other sorts of goods can be had from our Store at very moderate prices. A trial is earnestly solicited.

Yours faithfully
K. A. J. O'HOTIRMAL & Co.
Hongkong, 18th Feb. 1913. [187]

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Notices

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1913.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, and 1st MARCH and SATURDAY (OFF-DAY).
24th, 25th, 26th February, and 1st March.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSED may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LTD., or the O.A.C. Price \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the OFF-DAY), or \$3 per day. Tickets for the OFF-DAY, \$3.

No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1913.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Race to be run on the OFF DAY, Saturday, 1st March 1913.

THE ADMIRAL'S PRIZE.
PRESENTED BY Excellency Vice Admiral Sir ALFRED L. WINSLOE, K.C.M.G., C.V.O., C.M.G. (Ladies' Nomination).

A Handicap for all China Ponies that may be started at this Meeting. Second to receive 50 per cent. and third 40 per cent. of the Entrance Fees. Entrance \$5. One mile and a quarter.

The Donor of the Cup has also kindly presented a prize for the Lady Nominating the Winner, no Lady to nominate more than one Pony.

A List of Weights to be carried will be posted at the Grand Stand and published in the Press on the morning of the Race.

Entries will close to the Clerk of the Course on THURSDAY the 27th February, 1913.

Entry Forms will be obtainable on application at the Weighing Room under the Grand Stand at any time during the Three Race Days.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 20th Feb. 1913. [194]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and the ENCLOSED during the Races.

A Stand and Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families, Tickets for which will be sent out with the Members' Tickets.

All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.

Special accommodation will be reserved as in recent years for Chinese Ladies and their Female attendants in the Stand erected on the plot of ground next to the Lusitano Club Stand.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 20th Feb. 1913. [106]

NOTICE.

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1913, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at the Conduit Road Extension, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at Crown Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years.

He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin and Hakka.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write care of Hongkong Telegraph Office or direct to 27 Hollywood Road, 1st floor, Hongkong, 20th Feb. 1913. [163]

Entertainments

THEATRE ROYAL.

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For short season only.
Commencing:
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MAURICE BANDMANN
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WHAT EVERY WOMAN KNOWS

TUESDAY 25th February
BABY MINE

WEDNESDAY 26th February
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FRIDAY 28th February
THE WOMAN IN THE CASE

Other performances will be duly announced.

Each production Brought in its Entirety from London.

Box Plan open at Montrose & Co.
Doors open at 8.30.

Commence at 9.15 sharp.
Prices, \$3.50 \$3.00, \$2.00 & \$1.00.

BIJOU.

9.15 PROGRAMME. 9.15

PATHE GAZETTE.
(World's News in Pictures).

Wilder Tries Cinema Acting.
The River Clyde (A Fine Scenario).
School of Gymnasts.
A True Fish Story.
Hiking Mad.

NAIS MISCOVLIN (Drama) and
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NOTICES

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

RAOE HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, DAY, and THURSDAY, 25th, 26th and 27th instant respectively, at 11.45 a.m.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on TUESDAY, the 4th March, 1913, at 4 o'clock p.m. precisely, in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes:

(1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1912.
(2) To elect a new Committee.
(3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st Feb. 1913. [108]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up, \$1,350,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property &c.

Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.
(Rates and Particulars on application).

TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.

Undertaken and Executed.
SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [2]

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE DINNER.

It is proposed to hold the annual Oxford and Cambridge Dinner on the 23rd March, 1913.

All Oxford and Cambridge men wishing to attend are requested to notify the undersigned.

The Chief Justice has kindly consented to take the chair, and Sir Charles Eliot the vice chair.

PHILIP W. GOLDING,
Hon. Secretary.

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Hongkong, 1st Nov. 1912. [1912]

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Interest Allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th Jan. 1913. [18]

NOTICES

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

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Secretary.

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Reserve Fund, \$10,000,000.

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F. Lieb, Esq.

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Acting Manager,
SHANGHAI—A. G. STRANGE.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK, LONDON.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts at the rate of 3 per cent.
On Deposits at the rate of 4 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits at the rate of 5 per cent.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 1 month, 4% per cent. per annum.
For 3 months, 4 1/2% per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 5% per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 5 1/2% per cent. per annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on Deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 4% per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transact their affairs on the minimum monthly balances at 4% per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
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N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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Reserve Fund, £1,650,000.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened, and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

Capital Fully Paid-up, 10,000,000 Marks.

Head Office—Shanghai.
Board of Directors—Berlin.

Branches:
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Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agency.

Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT,
Manager.
Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital, £1,500,000.
Subscribed " 1,125,000.
Paid Up " 562,000.
Reserved Fund " 365,000.

HEAD OFFICE:
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BRANCHES:
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EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. O. MACDONALD,
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T/T Demand 2 1/16
30 d/s 2 1/16
60 d/s 2 1/16
4 m/s 2 1/16

T/T Shanghai 85 3/4
T/T Singapore 85 3/4
T/T Japan 85 3/4
T/T India 149 1/2
Demand India 149 1/2
Demand Manila 149 1/2
T/T San Foo & New York 149 1/2
T/T Java 149 1/2
T/T Marks 205
T/T Francs 253 1/2

Subsidiary Coins.
Discount per \$100
Chinese 20 cts. pieces \$6 1/4
Chinese 10 cts.

LATEST MAIL NEWS.

(Continued from page 5).

Naval Estimates.
The "Times" had the following statement in regard to the Navy Estimates, on January 31:—It is expected that the Navy Estimates for the coming year will be between £46,000,000 and £47,000,000, an increase in the neighbourhood of £2,000,000. This will take no one by surprise, for Mr. Churchill warned the House of Commons last March that "an extra burden on the Estimates of 1913-14 was irremediable." It is stated that the number of battleships will be five. There was some discussion, apparently, as to the respective merits of battleships and of cruisers of the most advanced type, but this, it is said, had not affected the decision.

Unionist Policy.
The Unionist tariff policy was outlined in a speech at Edinburgh on January 24. He insisted that if the Unionists were returned to Parliament, they intended to do the following three things:—
I. They would impose a tariff lower than existed in any industrial country in the world on foreign manufactured goods.

II. They would give to the Dominions on our market the largest preference possible without the imposition of new duties upon food.

III. They would try to establish co-operation throughout the Empire in trade, as well as in defence. They would put themselves in communication with the Dominions and work out with them the best scheme for securing that object, and when it was worked out, present it to their countrymen and try to get their assent to it.

Wireless Telegraph Committee.
The papers contain information of the appointment of a committee, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee on the Marconi contract, to report on the merits of the existing systems of wireless telegraphy. Mr. Justice Parker is chairman of the committee, and the other members are Mr. W. Daddell, Mr. R. T. Glazebrook, Sir Alexander Campbell, and Mr. James Swinburne. The committee was requested to report as soon as possible, and in any case within three months.

Mr. Van Biene's Death.
The death of Mr. Auguste Van Biene, the noted actor-violinist, was telegraphed to Hongkong, by Ruter, but only the barest details given. It appears that he expired whilst performing "The Master Musician." His son was conducting at the time. Mr. Van Biene was about half-way through the piece, when he fell back in his chair. The curtain was lowered, and he was carried off the stage into the wings, where life was found to be extinct. The performance proceeded, the audience being unaware of his death.

Abnormal Weather.
During the week-end the weather has been most abnormal. Saturday the temperature was unusually high for the time of the year, and at night the Colony was visited by a thunderstorm. The thunder was most pronounced and the lightning fierce, while rain fell heavily. There was again a heavy rainfall yesterday, the total fall for the week-end being over two inches.

WHO IS LIABLE?

This morning, in the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Poine Judge, the Wai Firm sued the Sun Tai Shing Firm and Yau Shi Leung to recover the sum of \$91.17 alleged to be due for goods sold and delivered.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, of Messrs. Goldring Barlow and Morrell, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master appeared for the defence.

Mr. Russ said that the claim was against the defendant and the woman who, they alleged, was a partner in the firm, or the firm itself. The firm at present did not exist, and if the woman was not the partner, then there was no firm. The second defendant came to the plaintiffs and ordered the goods and paid for them, but subsequently an account was opened between the two. Then the son, with whom the woman was living, died, and when she was pressed for money, she held that her son was the firm and that she was not liable.

In the result judgment was given for the defendant.

Diocesan School.

School duties are to be resumed at the Diocesan School and Orphanage on March 1st.

For Consignees.

Consignees of goods by the S.S. China are reminded that cargo remaining after tomorrow at noon will be subject to rent.

Standard Time.

The scheme of standardisation of time in the Colony is in operation. The new clocks fixed at the Peak tram stations and on the Ferry pier are now working.

Looki for Soft Jobs.

America's new President has found it necessary to warn those "looking for big pay and soft jobs" that the personal demand for patronage will defeat its object. And one recalls the genius who, seized with a horror of place-hunters, solicited President Roosevelt thus: "I hear that the American Consul has perished at Martinique. In presenting my application for the vacancy thus caused I am actuated by the desire to get in ahead of those loathsome creatures, the office-seekers." Which reminds one of the Scotsman who, seeing a fellow countryman drowning, shouted for particulars as to his situation, only to be told that it had been bespoken by the fellow who pushed him into the water.

A Champion of the Suffragists.
Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson, hero of the Spanish war, whose exploit in sinking the Merrimac at the mouth of Santiago harbour, thus bottling up Cervera's fleet, made him the recipient of the kisses of the fair sex from one end of the country to the other, has reciprocated, says an American paper. He has become an ardent suffragist. "The average standard of the character of a nation's electorate determines the efficiency of its political institutions," Captain Hobson declared recently. "In standard of character woman is degrees ahead of man. Therefore the absorption of women would substantially raise the character of this nation's electorate."

POST OFFICE.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Shanghai, s.s. Lianan, 22nd Feb.—Sabattuk, Cocal, B. & S.
Bengal, Br. s.s. 1938, Guy, 22nd Feb.—Mojoi 16th Feb. Coal—G. L. & Co.
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Zafiro, Am. s.s. 2793, McMurray, 22nd Feb.—Manila 20th Feb. Gen.—S. T. & Co.
Hansang, Br. s.s. 1356, S. Wilde, 23rd Feb. Shanghai and Swatow 22nd Feb. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Feb. 6 Feb. 22
Feb. 7 Feb. 24

MAILS DUE.

Jan. and Saturday the 1st inst. English, Delta, 27th inst.

The Chinua is expected to arrive here on Wednesday the 26th inst., with the London Mails (via Siberia) of Friday the 1st. The Delta with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday the 22nd inst., at 9 a.m. and is expected to arrive here on Thursday the 27th inst., at 6 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on 24th January and for despatch overland on the 31st Jan.

MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Halyang, 25th Feb. 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China Japan via Moji, Victoria B.C. and Seattle (Europe via Siberia)—Per Shidzuoka-maru, 25th Feb. 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents). (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Per Ville de la Ciotat, 25th Feb. 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 25th Feb. 1.15 p.m.

Japan via Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, Tacoma, and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Ixion, 25th Feb. 2 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco—Per China, 25th Feb. 2 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Kalfong, 25th Feb. 3 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Zafiro, 25th Feb. 3 p.m.

Ningpo—Per Shaoching, 25th Feb. 3 p.m.

Foochow and Tientsin—Per Fausang, 25th Feb. 5 p.m.

Fort Bayard, Hailphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Sikiang, 25th Feb. 8 a.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 26th Feb. 9 a.m.

Hailphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Sungkiang, 26th Feb. 9 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Jelunga, 26th Feb. 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per Guthrie, 26th Feb. 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Hansang, 26th Feb. 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 26th Feb. 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Dalny—Per Liangchow, 26th Feb. 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Waihsing, 27th Feb. 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 27th Feb. 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Lianan, 27th Feb. 3 p.m.

Tientsin—Per Kueichow, 27th Feb. 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hailong, 28th Feb. 9 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents). (Supplemental mail on board up to 12 a.m. time fixed for departure of the mail. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 28th Feb., at 5 p.m.—Per Devanha, 1st Mar. 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Lianan, 1st Mar. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Loong, 1st Mar. 1 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Lianan, 1st Mar. 1 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Kansu, Br. s.s. 1228, Tuebben, 22nd Feb.—Sabattuk, Cocal, B. & S.
Bengal, Br. s.s. 1938, Guy, 22nd Feb.—Mojoi 16th Feb. Coal—G. L. & Co.
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Hansang, Br. s.s. 1356, S. Wilde, 23rd Feb. Shanghai and Swatow 22nd Feb. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Triumph, Ger. s.s. 769, Langschager, 23rd Feb.—Hailphong and Hailow 22nd Feb.—Rice—J. & Co.
Hailong, Br. s.s. 1303, Hailong, 23rd Feb.—Foonchow 20th Feb.—Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Manchuria, Am. s.s. 8750, A. Dixon, 23rd Feb.—San Francisco 23rd Jan. Gen.—P. M. Co.
Sikiang, Br. s.s. 615, Catalano, 23rd Feb.—Hailphong 23rd Feb. Gen.—M. M. & Co.
Signal, Ger. s.s. 997, Christiansen, 23rd Feb.—Saigon 19th Feb. Rice—J. & Co.
Merapi, Br. s.s. 1480, Uldall, 23rd Feb.—Singapore, Sugar—Order
Seangsee, Br. s.s. Travis, 23rd Feb.—Singapore 17th Feb. Gen.—S. T. & Co.
Kwangtiah, Br. s.s. 1536, Stewart, 23rd Feb.—Shanghai 20th Feb. Gen.—O. M. S. N. Co.
Nera, Br. s.s. 3429, Fousenice, 24th Feb.—Marseilles 26th Jan. Gen.—M. M. & Co.
Ville de la Ciotat, Fr. s.s. 3557, B. Lafout, 24th Feb.—Yokohama 15th Feb. Gen.—M. M. & Co.
Ting-sang, Br. s.s. 1045, Frammell, 24th Feb.—Canton 23rd Feb. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Shansi, Br. s.s. 1662, Simon, 24th Feb.—Canton 23rd Feb. Ballast—B. & S.
Irene, Chl. s.s. 826, Froggatt, 24th Feb.—Chefoo 18th Feb. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Sexta, Ger. s.s. 993, Menisen, 24th Feb.—Bangkok and Swatow 23rd Feb. Rice—Chinese.
Duneric, Br. s.s. 1210, Tullock, 24th Feb.—Bangkok 17th Feb. Rice—B. L.
Atsuta Maru, Jap. s.s. 5284, J. Nagao, 24th Feb.—Yokohama 12th Feb. Gen.—N. Y. K.
Lianan, Br. s.s. 1356, Williams, 24th Feb.—Shanghai 20th Feb. Gen.—B. & S.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Feb. 22.
Rajah, for Sandakan.
Feb. 24.
Ting-sang, for Hongay.
America, for K. O. Wan.
Carl Dietrichsen, for Swatow.
Fritiof, for Bangkok.
Pakhoi, for Saigon.
Rueichow, for Canton.
Kwangtiah, for Canton.
Shensi, for Shanghai.
Nera, for Yokohama.
Anghin, for Swatow.
Lianan, for Canton.
Shidzuoka-maru, for Seattle.
Hansang, for Canton.
Rokkusan-maru, for Canton.
Irene, for Canton.
Kutsang, for Kobe.
Clara Jensen, for Siam.
Kwongshun Lee, for Malouchow.
Ville de la Ciotat, for Marseilles.
Feb. 23.
Calohas, for Shanghai.
Johanne, for Hongay.
Chowtai, for Singapore.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Daiya-maru, for Wakamatsu.
Michael Jensen, for Hailphong.
Daigi-maru, for Tamai.
Cheuan, for Shanghai.
Feb. 24.
Liangchow, for Canton.
Cheungshing, for Tientsin.
Tientsin, for Saigon.
Siam, for Canton.
Pessia Dollar, for San Francisco.
Hansang, for Canton.
Varg, for Canton.
Kashing, for Saigon.
Fritiof, for Siam.
Taiwan, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Zafiro, arrived 22nd inst., from Manila.
Aufmann, W. & R. S. M. & Davis, P. M.
Estrada, S. C. Rosenthal, J. Reith, A. M.
Per s.s. Kwangtiah, arrived 23rd inst., from Shanghai.
Conry, F. Smith, S.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 24th at 12.00.—Pressure has further increased over China, considerably in the south and slightly in the north. The anticyclone is central over N.E. China. The depression has passed into the Pacific.

Fresh monsoon is indicated along the E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.94 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
1 Hongkong and N.E. winds fresh; cloudy.

2 Formosa Channel. N.E. gale.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamooks. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
24th February, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	D'f'n.	Force.	Wind.
Wootook	7 a.m.	30.34	74.0	—	0	b	—
Nemuro	6 a.m.	29.81	—	—	0	—	—
Hakodate	—	29.91	—	—	5	—	—
Tokio	—	29.99	—	—	4	—	—
Kochi	—	30.13	—	—	1	—	—
Nagasaki	—	30.19	—	—	1	—	—
Kshima	—	30.15	—	—	1	—	—
Oshima	—	30.10	—	—	14	—	—
Naha	—	30.09	—	—	0	—	—
Ishijima	—	30.09	—	—	4	—	—
Bonin Is.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chefoo	—	30.04	26.75	n	4	b	—
W'haiwei	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hankow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iohang	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha	—	30.04	32	n	2	o	—
Shanghai	—	30.25	35	n	6	o	—
Gutzlaff	—	30.25	34	n	3	c	—
Sharp P.	—	30.29	44	n	3	c	—
Amoy	—	30.30	48	85	e	2	or
Swatow	—	30.06	49	93	e	2	or
Taihou	—	30.18	—	—	6	—	—
Taihou	—	30.02	—	—	2	—	—
Tainan	—	30.02	—	—	6	—	—
Koehun	—	29.97	—	—	10	—	—
P'iores	—	30.06	—	—	10	—	—
Canton	—	30.17	50	72	n	3	o
H'kong	—	30.09	53	89	ne	1	od
Cap Rock	—	30.06	—	—	6	—	—
Macao	—	30.05	51	—	2	or	—
Wuchow	—	30.22	48	78	n	3	o
Pakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hailow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phillon	—	30.01	61	—	ene	5	o
Tourane	—	29.87	72	—	nw	2	c
C. St. J.	—	29.88	73	—	e	2	c
Aparri	—	29.91	71	—	sw	1	b
Manila	—	29.91	71	—	—	0	b
Legaspi	—	29.90	74	—	—	0	b
Iloilo	—	29.91	81	—	—	2	b
Bacolod	—	—	—	—	—	1	c
Cebu	—	29.88	83	—	e	2	c
Lubuan	—	29.85	82	—	—	—	—

T. F. Claxton, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 24.
1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation; the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6 State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day On Date On Date	at 10 a.m.	at 4 p.m.	at 10 p.m.
Barometer	29.87	29.83	29.83	29.83
Temperature	71	68	62	62
Humidity	78	95	93	93
Wind	—	—	—	—
Direction	E	E	E	E
Force	1	1	1	1
Weather	c	o	od	od
Rain	—	0.12	—	—

H.K. Observatory, 23rd Feb. 1913.

T. F. Claxton, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

Feb. 22nd to 28th Feb. 1913.

Time	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
Feb. 22	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Feb. 23	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Feb. 24	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Feb. 25	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Feb. 26	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Feb. 27	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Feb. 28	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15

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LONDON, via Usual Ports of Call	DEVANHA	Capt. W. H. Riekey.	Noon, 1st March. Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via Usual Ports of Call	SOMALI	Capt. W. W. Crooke, R.N.	about 5th March. Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NYANZA	Capt. H. N. Rivers, R.N.	about 6th March. Freight and Passage.

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SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	YORK	about THURSDAY, 6th March.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	beginning of March.

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